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June 5, 1998

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of Madison Gas and Electric Company for Authority
to Issue Up to \$45,000,000 Principal Amount of Debt Securities

3270-SB-116

NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS

Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE) filed an application with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) on May 21, 1998, pursuant to s. 196.39 and ch. 184, Stats., and s. PSC 2.63, Wis. Adm. Code, for amendment of the Certificate of Authority originally issued in this docket on June 15, 1994, and supplemented and amended on October 29, 1997. The requested amendment would allow the issuance of unsecured debt as well as secured debt.

This is a Type III action under s. PSC 4.10(3), Wis. Adm. Code. No unusual circumstances suggesting the likelihood of significant environmental consequences have come to the Commission's attention. Neither an environmental impact statement under s. 1.11, Stats., nor an environmental assessment is required.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary in order to carry out its duties to investigate the books, accounts, practices, and activities of MGE. The expenses incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such investigation will be assessed against and collected from MGE in accordance with ss. 184.10(3) and 196.85(1), Stats., and s. PSC 5.05(2), Wis. Adm. Code. Anyone objecting to the proposed amendment must file a request for hearing with the Commission within 10 days of this notice.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact Lois Hubert, Electric Division, at (608) 267-2210.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

For the Commission:

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Electric Division